## **Claims**

What is claimed is:

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1. A planter, of which all parts are cut from the same single stone, thereby maintaining the exterior surface and outward appearance of the original natural stone, said planter comprising:

an upper plant receptacle comprising at least one plant holding cavity having at least one drainage hole drilled through the bottom thereof and an exterior planar bottom surface that has a water directing device comprising an indentation or protrusion that encircles a single drainage hole or encircles a plurality of drainage holes, said water directing device preventing the water that has drained from the drainage hole(s), from traveling along the bottom exterior planar surface to the outer edge of the planter and instead, directing the drained water to the depression in the base below;

a base having an upper planar surface with a depression cut into the center of the upper planar surface for holding excess drained water, but which depression does not cup the bottom of the plant receptacle or reach to the outermost edges of the base;

a plurality of spacers adhered to the uppermost surface of the base,
between the edge of the depression in the base and the outermost edge of the base, for
supporting the plant receptacle in a slightly elevated fashion above the base for
allowing air to flow between the plant receptacle and the base.